

DESCRIBES CAPITAL
AS HE SAW IT IN '45

Baldwin Dade Drane, ninety years old, says:
"I have shaken hands with every President in the White House since 1848.
"I have relatives in almost every State in the United States.
"I am the oldest member of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants.
"I am a Mason and member of Templar Lodge and I am a Baptist and member of Calvary Baptist Church.
"I am the most patriotic American in the United States today, and I favor barring all Germans from the United States forever."

Baldwin Dade Drane, of the John Dickson Home, today began the celebration of the nineteenth anniversary of his birth by telling a reporter for The Times how this city "looked" when he came here in 1845, when he first came here. Yesterday was Mr. Drane's birthday, but he did not want to celebrate on the Sabbath.

"The first thing I saw after leaving the shaky bridge which was situated where the Aqueduct is now standing was the city of Georgetown," he said. "After talking about a mile through a muddy pathway that is now Thirty-sixth street, I came to the first house, near which were three mills, the principal businesses for miles around. One was a cotton mill and two were grist mills. At that time, I well remember, there were 5,000 people in Washington, the Capital of the Republic. I wanted to live in Washington, so hired a rickety cart to take me to the city, and when my father had kept a store in 1848. The coachman wanted to charge me 20 cents to haul me there, but I refused to pay such an exorbitant price, giving him 15 cents. The people around me were of the same kind as the people around me today. I went around to see the city, and after crossing the brook running down First street and across Pennsylvania avenue northwest, decided to look for a position.

Join Fire Company.
"In order to get employment I joined the Perseverance Fire Company. Later I joined the Southwest National Guard. Of that organization I am one of the three members living today. Washington then had virtually no pavements or asphalt streets, and there was no Connecticut avenue or Sixteenth street drive-ways.
"Through the most used streets of the District, cows, sheep, chickens, and hogs ran at large. The farmers sold their produce on F street. Most of the produce was grown on the tracts above what is now U street.
"I was then a country boy, having come direct from Dranesville, Va., which was founded by my father in 1810, after he had left Washington. He was the owner of a large farm, and was also the first postmaster in Fairfax county. I was born in 1828, when Dranesville was flourishing and was only a small hamlet, but the days before the railroad, when tourists would stop at the sign of habitation and carousal with the natives, are not forgotten by the first people there, who are still living.

Saw Monument Begun.
"I well remember the ceremonies which tended the laying of the cornerstone of the Washington Monument. That is about the only thing in Washington which remains the same today. Of my four boys and one girl, two of the boys are dead. My wife died in 1909, at the age of seventy-eight.
"Mr. Drane is cousin to Herbert J. Drane, Congress member from Maryland who will attend the nineteenth birthday party to be held at John Dickson Home, at Fourteenth and Gallatin streets, tonight. Singing and dancing will be a feature for the benefit of the children, of which Mr. Drane is very fond.

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Tells of Capital
As In 1845

BAULDWIN DADE DRANE,
Who Celebrates 90th Birthday Today

BROWNLOW RAPS
FIREMEN'S UNION

(Continued from First Page.)

ley, of No. 4 engine company, chairman of the committee, which had been appointed at a meeting of the union last night, that no threats were intended and none would be made, the conference proceeded. Other members of the committee also gave assurances.

Protest Read.

Lieutenant Buckley then read the memorandum of protest hastily prepared by the men. It follows:

"This committee is here to protest against the recently proposed promotion in the Fire Department, as published in the Washington papers. The members of this committee are made up of senior members of the department who are entitled to these promotions by right of seniority and fire-fighting ability. Chief Keilher is entitled to the position of deputy chief, Captain Krueger is senior captain, and is entitled to the position of battalion chief. Captains Wright, Carrington, Dixon, and Schrom are next in line for promotion. Lieutenant Thomas is next in line for promotion as captain, and when the next senior lieutenants were ignored and a lieutenant and sergeant promoted, many capable and deserving lieutenants were overlooked.

"Some of the best men in the department were passed over who had a right to the position of sergeant when the promotions to sergeant were made. These men who were promoted by an act of Congress from the position of drivers and capable men who should have had the positions were overlooked. These men were given to understand by the chief of engineers that they were to be promoted to the position of sergeant.

Every Captain Ignored.

"Every captain in the Fire Department was overlooked in the promotions to battalion chiefs. These men have demonstrated by their ability and years of service that they are entitled to the positions. First Battalion Chief Keilher is entitled to the position of deputy chief by length of service and fire-fighting ability. His record is beyond reproach. He has served twenty-four hours a day for years, and first to arrive on the fire ground. On the other hand, the judgment as with the other acting battalion chiefs, read the lives and properties of the citizens of the District of Columbia.

Cares Nothing for Seniority.

Commissioner Brownlow promptly informed the committee that he does not care a rap for seniority.
"I cannot for a moment entertain the idea that seniority entitles men to promotion. It is not the rule in the army or navy, and will not be

TODAY'S MARKET HINTS

Prices to retailers and general market information furnished by Bureau of Markets, U. S. Department of Agriculture; fair prices to consumers by the District Food Administration.

ABUNDANT—String beans, eggplant, peppers, sweet corn, cooking apples, potatoes, grapes.

NORMAL—Cantaloupes, peaches, pears, onions, carrots, cucumbers, kale, cabbage, sweet potatoes, plums.

SCARCE—Eating apples, watermelons, beets, bananas, spinach, lemons, oranges.

VEGETABLES

Cost to retailer Fair price to consumer today.

Product, grade, etc. 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Beans, snap, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Beans, lima, quart, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Beets, bunch, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Celery, bunch, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Cabbage, pound, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Carrots, bunch, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Carrots, cut, pound, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Cucumbers, local, each, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Eggplant, local, each, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Kale, peck, 3 lbs., 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Lettuce, local, head, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Peas, New York, 1/2 bushel, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Onions, dry, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Peppers, local, each, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Potatoes, No. 1, peck, 15 pounds, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Potatoes, No. 2, peck, 15 pounds, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Potatoes, sweet, No. 1, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Spinach, New Zealand, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Squash, white, each, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Sweet corn, large, dozen, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Tomatoes, local, No. 1, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Tomatoes, local, No. 2, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

FRUITS

Cost to retailer Fair price to consumer today.

Apples, fancy, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Apples, second, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Bananas, dozen, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Cantaloupes, local, No. 1, each, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Cantaloupes, local, No. 2, each, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Cantaloupes, California, each, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Grapes, shipped in (4 qt. box), 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Lemons, California, 4 1/2 dozen, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Lemons, California, 3 1/2 dozen, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Oranges, California, 17 1/2 dozen, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Pears, California, best, yellow, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Peaches, white & yellow (4 qt. box), 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

Peaches, Elberta and Belle, 1/2 peck, 11 @ 12 cents 11 @ 12 cents

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WALL ST. MARKET

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—The market

was irregular at the opening to-

day, with price movements in most of

the industrials to lower level, while

some of the railways and a few ap-

pliances were in fair demand at ad-

vancing 8 1/2 to 10 1/2.

Steel common dropped 1/2 to 1 1/2,

and Baldwin Locomotive sold off 1

point to 9 1/4. Marine preferred was

strong, advancing 1/2 to 1 1/2, and

Utah moved up 1 point to 55. St. Paul

common continued in demand, ad-

vancing 1/2 to 3/4. New Haven was

1/2 higher at 4 1/4, and Reading moved

up 1/2 to 8 1/2 to 8 3/4.

Mexico Petroleum moved up 1/2 to

10 1/2, but lost all this gain in a few

minutes.

The most activity during the first

hour was concentrated in the specu-

lative railway group with several of

the leading railroad stocks in de-

mand all through the early forenoon

and making substantial gains. St. Paul

made a gain of one point to 56.

and New Haven advanced from 44 to

45. United States Steel, common, af-

ter selling down to 11 1/4, rallied to

11 1/2. The first tone was shown in

Baldwin Locomotive and Bethlehem

Steel B. after the early decline.

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